

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of	)	
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Nick E. Ciavarella, et al.	)	Confirmation No. 2169
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Serial No.: 10/693,567	)	
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Filed: October 25, 2003	)	
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Title: UNIVERSAL COLLAR	)	

**AMENDMENT G**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 23, 2009, the Applicants, through their attorney, reply as follows.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.